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Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action mailed July 7, 2006 in the above-referenced patent application. This Response is being submitted within the first month after the shortened statutory period set for response in the Office Action. A separate Petition and Fee for a one-month extension of time are being submitted herewith. With the extension, the deadline for response is reset to expire on November 7, 2006.

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